

# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 565

By Harrison

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the members of  
American Legion Post 183 of Sneedville,  
Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting for this General Assembly to honor those individuals who through their natural generosity and unflagging commitment have given unselfishly to others; and

WHEREAS, one such group of outstanding individuals are the members of American Legion Post 183 of Sneedville, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, granted a Temporary Charter in September of 1975, American Legion Post 183 never applied for a Permanent Charter until December of 2002, when the first steps were taken to revitalize the Post; and

WHEREAS, the fifteen Charter Members of Post 183 were Albert G. "Buddy" Campbell, Kenneth Morris, Kenneth Mackey, Misty Rosenfeld, John McCoy, Victor Jerone, Jr., Jack Stapleton, Claude Hoover Garland, Carl Poulson, Wayne Dean, J.C. Wallen, Clarence Green, Wilford Begin, George "B" Wilder, and Larry Coldiron; and

WHEREAS, holding their first official meeting in January of 2003 in the court room of the Hancock County court house. Post 183 selected officers: Albert G. "Buddy" Campbell – Commander, Larry Coldiron – First Vice Commander, John McCoy – Chaplin, Kenneth Morris – Financial Officer, Kenneth Mackey – Sergeant-At-Arms, Victor Jerone, Jr. – Service Officer, and Wayne Dean – Adjutant, along with an Executive Committee consisting of George "B" Wilder, Wilford Begin, Sr., Clarence Green, and Misty Rosenfeld; and

WHEREAS, since that time, these veterans have continued their service to America and placed American Legion Post 183 at the forefront of providing for veterans and children who have special needs; and

WHEREAS, now boasting a membership of eighty-two strong and a newly established Women's Auxiliary, American Legion Post 183 also serves as a community service center, offering many social events, services, and tangible necessities for veterans and their families in need; and

WHEREAS, working tirelessly to aid veterans across Tennessee, American Legion Post 183 has donated thousands of dollars worth of clothes, blankets, and medical equipment along with hundreds of other much-needed items to VA homes in Nashville, Murfreesboro, Knoxville, and Mt. Home, Tennessee; Homeless Vets of Knoxville; and Needy Vets of Tazewell, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, led by President Shirley Dias, the members of American Legion Auxiliary Unit 183 have made and donated over 460 lap throws and 780 blankets to needy veterans in Nashville, Murfreesboro, Knoxville, and Tazewell, Tennessee, and prepared tee shirts for veterans to be delivered to every veterans home in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, American Legion Post 183 has performed an immeasurable service to the people of this state by aiding those gallant individuals who have given so much so that we may continue to enjoy the freedoms that we treasure in this great Nation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we commend and express our heartfelt gratitude to the members of American Legion Post 183 and its Women's Auxiliary for their tremendous record of service to Tennessee's veterans and veterans' homes across Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we extend our best wishes to American Legion Post 183 of Sneedville, Tennessee for a long and productive future and much continued success in all their endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.